

Fiscal Year 2022 Intercity Passenger Rail Program Fact Sheet

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In fiscal year (FY) 2022, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is providing \$10 million to Amtrak to promote sustainable, risk-based efforts to protect critical transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism.

Overview

The [FY 2022 Intercity Passenger Rail \(IPR\) Program](#) is one of four grant programs that constitute the DHS/Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) focus on transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by DHS to help strengthen the nation's critical infrastructure against potential terrorist attacks. IPR provides funds to Amtrak to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism. Program funds will be awarded to support the creation of sustainable, risk-based efforts to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.

Funding

In FY 2022, the total amount of funds to be distributed under this grant program is \$10 million.

Eligibility

The National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) is the only entity eligible to apply for funding under the IPR Program.

Funding Guidelines



Consistent with the other non-competitive preparedness grant programs, additional spending requirements are imposed in FY 2022. The National Priority Areas and associated minimum spend requirements for Amtrak are:

Enhancing Cybersecurity: No minimum spend requirement; and

Enhancing the Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places: 5%.

Application Process

Applying under the IPR Program is a multi-step process;. the registration process can take four weeks or more to complete. Therefore, Amtrak is encouraged to register in sufficient time to not hinder its ability to meet required submission deadlines. Please refer to Section D in the FY 2022 IPR Program Notice of Funding Opportunity for detailed information and instructions.

Amtrak must submit its initial application at least seven days prior to the June 13, 2022 application deadline through the [Grants.gov portal](#). Applicants needing Grants.gov support should contact the Grants.gov customer support hotline at (800) 518-4726, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week except federal holidays.

Amtrak will be notified by FEMA and asked to proceed with submitting its complete application package in the [Non-Disaster \(ND\) Grants System](#) by the application deadline. If Amtrak needs technical support with the ND Grants System, it should contact ndgrants@fema.dhs.gov or (800) 865-4076, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. ET.

Amtrak's completed application must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. ET on June 13, 2022.

IPR Resources

A variety of resources are available to address programmatic, technical and financial questions, which can assist with the IPR Program, including:

The FY 2022 IPR Program NOFO is located [online](#).

The FEMA [Preparedness Grants Manual](#).



FEMA

For additional program-specific information, Amtrak may contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or AskCSID@fema.dhs.gov. CSID hours of operation are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.

For support regarding financial grants management and budgetary technical assistance, Amtrak may contact the FEMA Award Administration Help Desk via e-mail to ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov.

